

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:44 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 288. Concurrent resolution directing the Secretary of the Senate to make a technical correction in the enrollment of S. 1438.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.J. Res. 78. A joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2002, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill (S. 1438) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

At 3:30 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 289. Concurrent resolution directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make technical corrections in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 1.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1) to close the achievement gap with accountability, flexibility, and choice, so that no child is left behind.

At 6:04 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2884) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief for victims of the terrorist attacks against the United States on

September 11, 2001, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the State.

ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

The message also announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills and joint resolution:

S. 494. An act to provide for a transition to democracy and to promote economic recovery in Zimbabwe.

S. 1196. An act to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, and for other purposes.

S.J. Res. 26. A joint resolution providing for the appointment of Patricia Q. Stonesifer as a citizen regent on the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

The enrolled bills and joint resolution were signed subsequently by the president by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. JEFFORDS, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 990: A bill to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to improve the provisions relating to wildlife conservation and restoration programs, and for other purposes. (Rept. No. 107-123).

By Mr. JEFFORDS, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 1632: A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to extend the deadline for submission of State recommendations of local governments to receive assistance of predisaster hazard mitigation and to authorize the President to provide additional repair assistance to individuals and households. (Rept. No. 107-124).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

H.R. 861: A bill to make technical amendments to section 10 of title 9, United States Code.

H.R. 1840: A bill to extend eligibility for refugee status of unmarried sons and daughters of certain Vietnamese refugees.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment:

H.R. 1892: A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the acceptance of an affidavit of support from another eligible sponsor if the original sponsor has died and the Attorney General has determined for humanitarian reasons that the original sponsor's classification petition should not be revoked.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

H.R. 2048: A bill to require a report on the operations of the State Justice Institute.

H.R. 2277: A bill to provide for work authorization for nonimmigrant spouses of treaty traders and treaty investors.

H.R. 2278: A bill to provide for work authorization for nonimmigrant spouses of intracompany transferees, and to reduce the period of time during which certain intracompany transferees have to be continuously employed before applying for admission to the United States.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment and with a preamble:

S.J. Res. 8: A joint resolution designating 2002 as the "Year of the Rose".

S.J. Res. 13: A joint resolution conferring honorary citizenship of the United States on Paul Yves Roch Gilbert du Motier, also known as the Marquis de Lafayette.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of committee were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Callie V. Granade, of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Alabama.

Mauricio J. Tamargo, of Florida, to be Chairman of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States for a term expiring September 30, 2003.

Marcia S. Kreiger, of Colorado, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado.

James C. Mahan, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada.

Philip R. Martinez, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas.

C. Ashley Royal, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia.

David Preston York, of Alabama, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Alabama for the term of four years.

Michael A. Battle, of New York, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of New York for a term of four years.

Harry E. Cummins, III, of Arkansas, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Arkansas for the term of four years.

Christopher James Christie, of New Jersey, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey for the term of four years.

Dwight MacKay, of Montana, to be United States Marshal for the District of Montana for the term of four years.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mrs. LINCOLN:

S. 1815. A bill to amend the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a pilot program under which the Secretary shall make grants to local units of government or local nonprofit organizations in the State of Arkansas to employ non-Federal resource conservation and development coordinators; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself and Mr. STEVENS):

S. 1816. A bill to provide for the continuation of higher education through the conveyance of certain public lands in the State of Alaska to the University of Alaska, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. VOINOVICH (for himself and Mr. THOMPSON):